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[*on the report of the Sixth Committee (A/71/509)*]

### 71/141. Protection of persons in the event of disasters

*The General Assembly*,

*Having considered* chapter IV of the report of the International Law Commission on the work of its sixty-eighth session,[1] which contains the draft articles on the protection of persons in the event of disasters,[2]

*Noting* that the Commission decided to recommend to the General Assembly the elaboration of a convention on the basis of the draft articles,[3]

*Emphasizing* the continuing importance of the codification and progressive development of international law, as referred to in Article 13, paragraph 1 (*a*), of the Charter of the United Nations,

*Noting* that the subject of the protection of persons in the event of disasters is of major importance in the relations of States,

*Taking into account* views and comments expressed in the Sixth Committee on chapter IV, on the protection of persons in the event of disasters, of the report of the Commission,

1. *Expresses its appreciation* to the International Law Commission for its continuing contribution to the codification and progressive development of international law;

2. *Takes note* of the draft articles on the protection of persons in the event of disasters, presented by the Commission,[2] and invites Governments to submit comments concerning the recommendation by the Commission to elaborate a convention on the basis of these articles;[3]

3. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-third session an item entitled "Protection of persons in the event of disasters".

*62nd plenary meeting*
*13 December 2016*

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[1] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Seventy-first Session, Supplement No. 10* (A/71/10).

[2] Ibid., para. 48.

[3] Ibid., para. 6.

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